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## PERSONS FOR WHOM CP&P CAN PROVIDE SERVICES 10-9-2007

Our commitment is to serve every child and family in need of our assistance regardless of citizenship, immigration status or how long they have lived in New Jersey.

The State Central Registry Screener shall determine whether any person who applies, is referred, or is the subject of a CPS report made to the hotline currently resides in, or is physically located within New Jersey, and that his or her circumstances are such that he or she falls into one or more of the categories listed below:

- a person from birth to age 18 (i.e., a child) and his or her family;
- an unaccompanied refugee minor or entrant minor and other non-U.S. citizen minor. See CP&P-III-A-1-300;
- a pregnant woman of any age, on behalf of her unborn child. See <u>CP&P-V-A-1-600</u>;
- an adult who requires services on behalf of, or in relation to, a child;
- a minor living in adult circumstances, either through court action or without court action, known as an "emancipated minor." See CP&P-III-A-1-200;
- a young adult, age 18 to 21 years, who lives in an out-of-home placement under the supervision of the Division, and for whom a report of mistreatment by the outof-home placement provider is made to the Division.

The State Central Registry Screener, assisted by the Interstate Services Unit, when appropriate, shall determine if a runaway child is a non-New Jersey resident from another state who is now located in New Jersey and is either under age 18, or is younger than the age of majority stated in the Interstate Compact on Juveniles in effect

in his or her home state (see N.J.S.A. 9:23-1), whichever is older. See <u>CP&P-VIII-E-1-200</u>.

CP&P may provide services in accordance with specific policies, programs, or initiatives to:

- Adolescents (i.e., young adults) age 18 to 21 years old in out-of-home placement and under CP&P supervision who a) request continuation of services, and b) are enrolled in an educational or vocational curriculum directed toward gainful employment;
- An adolescent (i.e., a young adult), 18 to 21 years of age, in need of health care coverage who is or was in a CP&P-paid placement under the care and supervision of the Division on his or her 18th birthday and whose maintenance is paid in whole or in part from public funds. This includes the young adult who leaves placement after age 18 but before age 21. See CP&P-V-A-3-500;
- Adolescents (i.e., young adults) age 18 to 21 years old under CP&P supervision who are emotionally, cognitively or physically disabled and without other private or public funding for necessary treatment or rehabilitation, including adolescents awaiting placement or services through the NJ Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD). See CP&P-III-A-1-500.